

of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

#### 29 CFR Part 2510

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#### Plans Established or Maintained Pursuant to Collective Bargaining Agreements Under Section 3(40)(A) of ERISA

**AGENCY:** Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor's (Department) ERISA Section 3(40) Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee (Committee) was established under the Negotiated Rulemaking Act of 1990 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (the FACA) to develop a proposed rule implementing the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, 29 U.S.C. 1001-1461 (ERISA). The purpose of the proposed rule is to establish a process and criteria for a finding by the Secretary of Labor that an agreement is a collective bargaining agreement for purposes of section 3(40) of ERISA. The proposed rule will also provide guidance for determining when an employee benefit plan is established or maintained under or pursuant to such an agreement. Employee benefit plans that are established or maintained for the purpose of providing benefits to the employees of more than one employer are "multiple employer welfare arrangements" (MEWAs) under section 3(40) of ERISA, and therefore are subject to certain state regulations, unless they meet one of the exceptions set forth in section 3(40)(A). At issue in this regulation is the exception for plans or arrangements that are established or maintained under one or more agreements which the Secretary finds to be collective bargaining agreements. It is the view of the Department that it is necessary to distinguish organizations that provide benefits through collectively bargained employee

representation from organizations that are primarily in the business of marketing commercial insurance products.

**DATES:** The Committee will meet from 9:00 am to approximately 5:00 pm on each day on Wednesday, December 16 and Thursday, December 17, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** This Committee meeting will be held at the offices of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS), 2100 K Street, NW, Room 200, Washington, DC 20427. All interested parties are invited to attend this public meeting. Seating is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Individuals with disabilities wishing to attend should contact, at least 4 business days in advance of the meeting, Patricia Arzuaga, Office of the Solicitor, Plan Benefits Security Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-4611, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210 (telephone (202) 219-4600; fax (202) 219-7346), if special accommodations are needed. The date, location and time for subsequent Committee meetings will be announced in advance in the **Federal Register**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patricia Arzuaga, Office of the Solicitor, Plan Benefits Security Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-4611, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210 (telephone (202) 219-4600; fax (202) 219-7346). This is not a toll-free number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Minutes of all public meetings and other documents made available to the Committee will be available for public inspection and copying in the Public Documents Room, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5638, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Any written comments on these minutes should be directed to the ERISA 3(40) Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee, and sent to the Public Documents Room, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5638, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, Telephone (202) 219-8771. This is not a toll-free number.

#### Agenda

The Committee will first adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. The Committee will then discuss the key issues that the Committee members believe should be addressed by any guidance that the Committee may develop to implement section 3(40) of ERISA. The issues addressed in these

negotiations pertain to how the Department should develop a proposed rule that would facilitate determinations by the Department, employee benefit plans, and state insurance regulatory agencies as to whether a particular agreement is a collective bargaining agreement, and whether a plan is established or maintained under or pursuant to one or more collective bargaining agreements. Discussion of these issues is intended to help the Committee members define the scope of a possible proposed rule.

Members of the public may file a written statement pertaining to the subject of this meeting by submitting 15 copies on or before December 11, 1998 to Patricia Arzuaga, Office of the Solicitor, Plan Benefits Security Division, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-4611, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Individuals or representatives wishing to address the Committee should forward their request to Ms. Arzuaga or telephone (202) 219-4600, x153. During each day of the negotiation session, time permitting, there shall be time for oral public comment. Members of the public are encouraged to keep oral statements brief, but extended written statements may be submitted for the record.

Organizations or individuals may also submit written statements for the record without presenting an oral statement. 15 copies of such statements should be sent to Ms. Arzuaga at the address below. Papers will be accepted and included in the record of the meeting if received on or before December 11, 1998.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 17th day of November, 1998.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 62

[IL173-1b; FRL-6190-9]

#### Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Illinois; Control of Landfill Gas Emissions from Existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** USEPA is proposing to approve the Illinois State Plan submittal